

## COMPLETE CHANGE NEEDED

PRESIDENT'S IMPORTANT MESSAGE  
ON THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

In View of the Affairs Now Confronting the Country He Expresses an Earnest Hope That Congress Will Not Take a Recess Until Some Remedy Has Been Aided Upon—Prompt Aid by Congress Is Asked

Washington, Dec. 20.—The president at 4:20 p. m. sent the following important message to congress on the financial situation:

To the Congress:

In my last annual message the evils of our present financial system were plainly pointed out and the causes and means of the depletion of government gold were explained. It was therein stated that after all the efforts that had been made by the executive branch of the government to protect our gold reserve by the issuance of bonds amounting to more than \$162,000,000, such reserve then amounted to but little more than \$79,000,000, that about \$16,000,000 had been withdrawn from such reserve during the month next previous to the date of that message, and that quite large withdrawals for shipment in the immediate future were predicted.

The contingency then feared has reached us and the withdrawals of gold since the communication referred to, and others that appear inevitable, threaten such a depletion in our government gold reserve as brings us face to face with the necessity of further action for its protection. This condition is intensified by the prevalence in certain quarters of sudden and unusual apprehension and timidity in business circles.

We are in the midst of another season of perplexity caused by our dangerous and fatuous financial operations. These may be expected to recur with certainty as long as there is no amendment in our financial system. If in this particular instance our predicament is at all influenced by a recent insistence upon the position we should occupy in our relation to certain questions concerning our foreign policy, this furnishes a signal and impressive warning that even the patriotic sentiment of our people is not an adequate substitute for a sound financial policy.

Of course there can be no doubt in any thoughtful mind as to the complete solvency of our nation, nor can there be any just apprehension that the American people will be satisfied with less than an honest payment of our public obligations in the recognized money of the world. We should not overlook the fact, however, that aroused fear is unreasonable and must be taken into account in all efforts to avert public loss and the sacrifice of our people's interests.

The real and sensible cure for our recurring troubles can only be effected by a complete change in our financial system. Pending that the executive branch of the government will not relax its efforts nor abandon its determination to use every means within its reach to maintain before the world American credit, nor will there be any hesitation in exhibiting its confidence in the resources of our country and the constant patriotism of our people.

In view, however, of the peculiar situation now confronting us, I have ventured to herein express the earnest hope that the congress, in default of the inauguration of a better system of finance, will not take a recess from its labors before it has by legislative enactment or declaration done something not only to remind those apprehensive among our people that the resources of this government and a scrupulous regard for honest dealing afford a sure guarantee of unquestioned safety and soundness, but to reassure the world that with these factors and the patriotism of our citizens, the ability and determination of our nation to meet in any circumstances every obligation it incurs do not admit of question.

I ask at the hands of the congress such prompt aid as it alone has the power to give to prevent in a time of fear and apprehension any sacrifice of the people's interests and the public funds, or the impairment of our public credit in an effort by executive action to relieve the dangers of the present emergency.

(Signed)  
GROVER CLEVELAND.

Executive Mansion, Dec. 20, 1895.

London, Dec. 21.—The Times commenting on President Cleveland's message to congress on the financial situation says:

The president's second message is almost as remarkable in its way as his first. With an air of the utmost innocence he takes note of a panic that he himself originated in precisely the tone that would be appropriate to the discussion of a calamity due to causes beyond human control.

## A Railroad Man's Misfortune.

Pine Meadow, Dec. 20.—Walter Griffin, who is section boss on the Northampton division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, while standing near the track Wednesday morning was struck in the eye with a package of new time tables which an expressman threw from the passing train. Mr. Griffin immediately consulted Dr. St. John of Hartford, who says he must lose the sight of the eye. Mr. Griffin has the sincere sympathy of the whole community in his late affliction.

## Killed by the Cars.

Lyme, Dec. 20.—Dwight King, foreman for Judge Walter C. Noyes at his farm in this place, was killed by a train last night. It is supposed that King alighted from a train at Black-hall and while walking to this place was struck by a freight.

## IMPORTANT REAL ESTATE SALE.

## The Globe Hotel, Formerly the "City" Changes Hands.

The Globe hotel, formerly the old City hotel, one of the oldest hostleries in this city, was sold yesterday to Thomas McCaffrey, the present manager. The price paid was about \$20,000, and the purchaser assumes several obligations. In order to properly consummate the deal Attorney Roger S. Baldwin resigned the administration of the Francis Donnelly estate to which the hotel belonged, and Thomas J. Donnelly was appointed in his stead. The latter, who previously owned about seven-ninths of the estate, recently entered into negotiations with the other heirs which, within a few days, culminated in his gaining possession of the other two-ninths. It was at the conclusion of these negotiations that the sale of the hotel was definitely decided upon. Landlord McCaffrey has managed the house for some fifteen years and has worked industriously with the object in view of some day purchasing it. Now that it has finally come into his possession he will make a number of improvements.

## Still Another Burglary.

A burglary occurred in a house on one of the side streets leading from Howard avenue last night. It was not very far from the Howard avenue station. The police preferred not to give the facts as they believed their divulgence would injure the chances of running the burglars down.

## CHRISTMAS TREES

## Christmas at the City Mission.

There will be, as usual, two Christmas trees at the City Missions hall, one on Tuesday afternoon for the Sunday school, and the other on Thursday evening for the children of the Saturday evening school. Those who wish to make Christmas gifts to some of the many destitute families known at the City Missions Hall, and in some way connected with its work, can send through Rev. Mr. Mossman and Miss Hume either fuel, food or funds. Or worthy families will be introduced to those who deserve to do this pleasant work personally at Christmas time.

## THRASHER AGAIN SUED.

Because of a Prosecution Brought Against the Wrong Man in Norwich.

New London, Dec. 20.—Secretary Samuel P. Thrasher of the State Law and Order League has been served with papers by Sheriff Hawkins in a suit for malicious prosecution brought by Daniel Connor, a Norwich saloonkeeper. The suit has been brought against the wrong Connor. There were two saloonkeepers of that name.

## SARAH T. SMITH'S ESTATE.

Appraisers Have Completed Their Work—Inventories \$15,192—A New Haven Lady's Good Luck.

Bristol, Dec. 20.—The inventory of the estate of Mrs. Sarah Smith, who died nearly two years ago, amounts to \$15,192. As there was no will this property will go to her grandson, a boy seven years of age who lives in New Haven with his mother, Mrs. Charles Smith, Charles Smith, who died about three years ago, will be remembered as proprietor of the Gridley House at one time, and later of the Commercial House.

## HORTON—GILBERT.

A Pretty Wedding Celebrated in the West End—Will Reside in This City.

Bridgeport, Dec. 20.—The home of Mrs. L. N. Gilbert at 290 Iranistan avenue, was the scene of a pretty wedding last evening. The parties in interest were Miss Louise Frances Gilbert and Mr. Henry Horton of New Haven. The occasion was made doubly enjoyable by reason of the fact that nearly all the guests present were relatives of the contracting parties. The house was prettily decorated for the occasion in Christmas greens and mistletoe. The ceremony was performed at 7 o'clock by the Rev. George Foster Prentiss of Winsted, formerly pastor of the West End Congregational church, and who is a cousin of the bride. The latter was attended by Miss Ruth M. Gilbert, a sister. Mr. Fred Wallace and Mr. Thomas Wooster officiated as ushers.

Following the ceremony a reception was held and supper served. The newly wedded couple received congratulations and departed on the 9:36 train for New York and the south. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Horton will reside at 358 Cedar street, New Haven. They were the recipients of many beautiful and costly presents from their numerous friends. Guests were in attendance from Winsted, New Haven, Seymour, Derby, Westfield, Mass., and Holyoke, Mass. The bride is well known in this city and has a host of friends who join in wishing her a happy future. Mr. Horton has gained unusual prominence by reason of his invention of the well known Horton fountain pen.

## Fitzsimmons's Forfeit Posted.

New York, Dec. 20.—Joe Vendig, who was associated with Dan Stuart in arranging the fight between Fitzsimmons and Maher, to-day handed to Richard K. Fox a check for \$1,000 which he had received from Stuart a guarantee that Fitzsimmons would be in the ring on the date selected. John J. Quinn, manager for Peter Maher, wired that he would arrive next Thursday with \$1,000 which he would post for Maher. Many bets are being made on the fight at the uptown hotels. Maher is a slight favorite.

## Will Withdraw Millions.

London, Dec. 21.—The Standard mentions a rumor that the Rothschilds will immediately withdraw £5,000,000 from the United States.

## THEY WOULD NOT SHUN WAR

## SENATOR PLATT DELIVERS A VIGOROUS SPEECH ON THE SITUATION.

He Said There is No Time to Talk About a Probable War—A Determination to Enforce the Monroe Doctrine—The House Bill Was Passed Without an Amendment.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The resolution offered yesterday by Mr. Allen, pop., of Nebraska, directing the finance committee to inquire into the advisability of opening the mints to the free coinage of silver and the issue of treasury notes to supply money for the contingency of war was taken up and defended in a sarcastic speech by Mr. Allen, who represented the resolution as the populist contribution to the war sentiment. A motion to refer it to the finance committee was made by Mr. Platt, rep., of Connecticut, and that motion was defeated, yeas 24, nays 36, and the resolution with the preamble stricken out, was then adopted.

Mr. Morgan, dem., of Alabama, then took the floor on the house bill providing for the Venezuelan commission. He stated that the foreign relations committee had considered the question and had some amendments to offer, although he was in favor of passing the bill as it came from the house. These amendments fixed the number of commissioners at three, to be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the senate, who will report to the president.

No time for their report was fixed. Mr. Platt, rep., of Connecticut, differed from the committee on foreign relations. He thought the house bill ought not to be amended. I should be passed as it came from the house. The subject matter of the bill was very grave, and it should be treated as such. There was no need of talking about a probable war, although the American people would not shun it if it was forced upon them. It made no matter what the Monroe doctrine was called; here was a determination to maintain the American policy that no foreign power should exercise any new dominion over any country in this hemisphere or unjustly oppress any state. Any amendment made to this bill would be construed in England as a hesitation on the part of the senate to sustain the president. It is asserted on the other side of the water that this is a campaign trick! England must be disabused of this. The American people were never more in earnest since the breaking out of the revolution than they are now in their purpose to maintain this doctrine, vital to our national security and honor. We should be careful to do nothing to lead England to think we are not in earnest. The bill contains all the president asks.

Mr. Platt could see no reason why the senate should insist on fixing the number of commissioners; there was no danger of the president making the commission too large.

If this bill means anything less than the appointment of a commission to ascertain the true divisional line, it will be construed in England, and rightly, as a hesitation on our part to go as far as the president asks. The idea of the senate confirming the commission, presumed the existence of some shadowy prerogative on the part of the senate that did not exist. It was not necessary that these men should be confirmed by the senate; the executive had ample authority to appoint agents. What was complained of in the Blount case was that the president went further than this and appointed an officer of the government.

Mr. Platt reiterated his opinion that any amendment would strengthen the belief already existing in England that the senate was hesitating about giving the president a hearty and cordial support.

Mr. Sherman, rep., of Ohio, said he could not, for the life of him, see the necessity of haste. The foundation of this dispute between the two governments was an ancient one. The message of the president invited no haste. Mr. Sherman said he had no doubt but that the trouble would be settled by an amicable agreement between Great Britain and Venezuela—he had no idea there would be a drop of American blood shed over this matter. The object of the commission was to ascertain all the facts, the title held by Venezuela, and the title, if any, by Great Britain, to inform the president of all the facts in the whole case and report to the president. It was proper, Mr. Sherman thought, that the bill should be amended and modified.

Mr. Lodge said he thought there should be no division in the senate on this subject, and he would not press the amendment of which he gave notice yesterday, fixing a time when the commission should report. All discussion is placed with the president and where full discretion is given full responsibility must lie.

Mr. Stewart, rep., of Nevada, said he did not believe Great Britain would pursue her dishonest aggression when she knew to do so meant war with the United States.

Mr. White, dem., of California, concurred in all things said regarding the firm and constant enforcement of the Monroe doctrine, but he did not think the full powers of this government could be called into play to maintain that doctrine.

Mr. Chandler, rep., of New Hampshire, believed it to be of the highest national importance that the bill as it passed the house should pass the senate and that it should be passed to-day. He was in favor of leaving the whole responsibility with the president, who had full power except in the use of money.

On motion of Mr. Chandler the proposed amendments to the house bill were laid on the table and the bill was read a third time and progressed to the point where the question was on its passage. Then an offer of amendment was made by Mr. Caffrey, who was informed by the presiding officer that the

bill had gone beyond the point where amendments could be offered. The presiding officer then put the question, "Shall the bill pass?" and as the viva voce were all "aye" and not one "no" he declared that the house bill was passed without amendment.

The senate then went into executive session. When the doors were reopened a message was laid before the senate, urging the necessity of prompt aid of the country's finances.

## COMMON SENSE REQUIRED.

New York, Dec. 20.—The Recorder has the following from Mr. Gladstone in answer to a request for his comment on the Venezuelan dispute: "Hawarden, Dec. 20.—Sole possible reply: 'Dare not interfere. Only common sense required.' (Signed) Gladstone."

## ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

Of Elm Tree Lodge, No. 37, N. E. O. P. Last Evening.

One of the most enthusiastic meetings of the New England Order of Protection ever held in this city was that held last evening in the hall No. 400 State street. A large delegation of male members was present from Montrose lodge of Bragford, while about twenty female members of Princess lodge were also present from the same town.

Grand Warden L. P. Denning arrived after the lodge was opened and was received with appropriate honors, and was conducted by the grand guide to a seat on the right of the warden.

The secretary read eleven applications for membership in Elm Tree lodge and seven applicants were elected to membership. Two candidates were initiated, the work being performed in a praiseworthy manner.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:

Junior past warden, J. Wall; warden, William Holmes; vice warden, D. W. Benjamin; secretary, E. D. Grinnell; financial secretary, E. W. Dwyer; treasurer, Charles R. Wells; chaplain, Homer Gould; guide, A. D. Baker; guardian, James J. Sullivan; sentinel, C. M. Floyd; trustee for three years, C. H. Mercer; organist, S. A. Morse.

Warden Wall in a well-worded address warmly welcomed the visitors and trusted they would spend a pleasant evening. He then introduced the grand guide, who, for an hour, held the close attention of all while he related some of his experiences in a trip to Central America. At the conclusion of his address he was loudly applauded.

Secretary F. D. Grinnell addressed the members and stated that it only needed twelve more members to enable Elm Tree lodge to take the first place on the roll of honor of the entire order. Refreshments were then served, after which Warden J. W. Chapin of Elm Tree lodge was called upon and spoke of the spirit which should animate the members as shown forth in the cardinal principles of the order, equity, benevolence and charity.

Junior Past Warden McIntosh of Charter Oak lodge fairly brought down the house with his humorous remarks and was followed by Junior Past Warden Wall of Elm Tree lodge, who spoke on behalf of the ladies, taking for his subject the first chapter of Genesis. Remarks were also made by the deputy of Montrose lodge and the acting warden of Princess lodge.

The meeting broke up with the best of feeling and the unanimous desire for many more of such reunions in the near future.

## PORT HALE LODGE NO. 235, N. E. O. P.

The following officers were elected by the members of Port Hale lodge last evening:

Junior past warden, D. A. Plummer; warden, Edward L. Simpson; vice warden, Mrs. Mary A. Bruce; secretary, John G. Hurd; financial secretary, William S. Rowe; treasurer, William H. Russell; chaplain, Mrs. George E. Wright; guide, Fred E. Baker; guardian, Miss Rose McGilvery; sentinel, Fred J. Morton; trustee for three years, Charles O. Francis.

## OTHER ELECTIONS LAST NIGHT.

Lafayette council, No. 161, U. O. P. elected their officers last night: Ex-governor, A. C. Siebold; governor, E. I. Parmley; lieutenant governor, Fannie A. Johnson; secretary, Evelyn V. Rockwell; collector, T. D. Bailey; treasurer, E. F. Hill; sergeant at arms, S. G. Husted; deputy sergeant at arms, Irene A. Gillette; sentinel of the outer gates, E. W. Cully; sentinel of the inner gates, Carrie L. French; trustees, A. S. Siebold, E. J. Parmley, E. W. Cully; supreme representative, A. Siebold; medical examiner, Dr. W. P. J. Burke. The meetings in the future will be held in U. O. P. hall the first and third Fridays at 8 p. m.

## KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OFFICERS ELECTED.

New Haven commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, held its annual election of officers last night. Those elected were: Marshall D. Andrus, E. C. Carlton, E. Hoadley, grandissimo; Samuel J. Bryant, captain general; Eli S. Quintard, prelate; Solomon T. Riggs, senior warden; J. R. Bolton, junior warden; Charles F. Root, treasurer; Francis E. Anthony, recorder; T. Parsons, Dickerman, assistant recorder; F. W. Wilmut, warden; David R. Alling, trustee for three years. The installation of officers will take place on the third evening in January.

## FORESTERS' OFFICERS ELECTED.

The New Haven lodge, Ancient Order of Foresters, held its annual election last evening and elected the following officers: Chief ranger, E. Oakley; sub chief ranger, C. E. Warner; financial secretary, R. McEachern; recording secretary, F. C. Friend; senior ward, W. J. Turner; junior warden, George Yardley; senior beadle, G. A. Wilham; junior beadle, J. Deub; physician, A. J. Boyer; druggist, Spaulding & Williams. One new member was elected and one proposed.

## THE WISER-DONNELLY CASE

## POLICE COMMISSIONERS DID NOT FIND ANY WILFUL INTERFERENCE.

Several Important Appointments and Retirements—Frank A. Southworth Made Clerk of the Department and Patrolman Poronto Made a Sergeant—Detective Sergeant Kelly Retired.

The much-talked-of campus case, which has been hanging fire before the police commissioners for some time, came up at a special meeting of the board last night. All the commissioners were present and Mayor Hendrick presided. The case in question grew out of the arrest of a student last October by Patrolman Bowers and the alleged interference of Campus Patrolmen Wiser and Donnelly, who, it is further alleged, rescued the student from the arresting officer.

It took nearly two hours to hear the testimony in the case, after which the board went into executive session. It lasted until 11 o'clock, and during this time numerous other matters were settled. A clerk of the department was appointed, several retirements and a number of appointments made.

The board found that there was no intention of wilful interference on the part of Patrolmen Wiser and Donnelly, and that both Patrolmen Bowers and Wiser had not acted just right in the matter.

A vote was passed instructing the chief to make all reasonable efforts to have Patrolmen Wiser and Bowers settle their personal differences for the good of the department.

Patrolman Bowers when asked to state his version of the affair said: "On the evening of October 19 while crossing the central green at 12:05 I heard boisterous shouts on Chapel street, opposite the Insurance building. I went to the corner of Chapel and College streets, where I saw a crowd of students, and asked them to be less noisy, as it was after midnight. The students, passing on to the campus, shouted back daring me to arrest them. I then went over and was called vile names. I took hold of one student and as he called me a vile name I struck him with the back of my hand. He stumbled to the ground and after getting up I placed him under arrest. He resisted and Patrolman Doughan came over from the other side of the street to my assistance. Doughan took hold of the student's left arm and at this juncture Patrolman Wiser came up with several other students. Wiser pushed between Doughan and the prisoner, and then clasped his arms around him, saying, 'What are you doing?' I tried to tell him, and all the time Wiser was pulling my prisoner away and said he was doing so, 'You can't take a man off the campus.' He said he knew the man and after saying this he and Donnelly took the student away."

Patrolman Doughan told the same story of the affair, and spoke of Bowers' coolness.

Patrolman Wiser said: "I was standing about midway of the campus just after midnight on October 19 when I heard a number of the boys hollering and singing at the Chapel street entrance. I started over there with Patrolman Donnelly. When about ten feet from the crowd I saw Bowers hit a man and knock him down. Doughan was then about fifteen feet away and did not come near during the whole time. We have always told the students that any officer could arrest under the campus for acts committed on the streets. I stopped up to prevent a breach of the peace, as it is laid down in our books that we are to prevent crime if possible, as well as to detect it. Bowers turned to Donnelly and said, 'Do you know this man?' Donnelly said he did and then the students walked away with us. Bowers struck two men to my knowledge and to save himself in this matter he tells this story."

Patrolman Donnelly stated that as he arrived on the scene he saw Student Lovell, who said that Bowers had struck him. The patrolman then continued: "I had a crowd behind me when I arrived. I saw a scuffle between Bowers and a student, but saw no interference by Wiser. Bowers asked me if I knew the man, and I told him I did. Bowers and Doughan then left the campus."

The case of Patrolman W. J. Fry was considered. Captain Brewer of station 4 complained that the patrolman did not make the 12:30 report at the station on the night of December 12. In explanation Patrolman Fry stated that his wife had died on his beat and told him his mind was very sick, and that she needed him at home. Mrs. Fry called at the station and explained to the officer in charge. Superintendent Smith, after suspending the officer for five days, returned him to his duty and the board disposed of his case by simply approving the superintendent's action.

Attorney Clerkin's complaint charging Sergeant Albert Bradley of station No. 2 with neglect of duty in not reporting the alleged clubbing of Patrolman Bellman was heard. The board voted to hear the charges at the next regular meeting.

Frank A. Southworth was unanimously appointed clerk of the department. Henry M. Poronto, a brother of Commissioner Poronto, was appointed a sergeant.

Patrolmen Jeremiah McGrath, Tighe and Gibson were detailed as detective assistants, subject to the order of the superintendent.

These men were placed on the veteran reserve force at half pay to do five half's work each day: Detective Sergeant Philip Reilly, Patrolman Shanahan, Cline, Hart, McAvoy, Phelps and Jackson.

These men were appointed from the superannuated to the regular force: Robert Dunlap, Chris A. Ledwith,

## PROLONGED SESSION HELD

## CABINET MEETS IN REGARD TO THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

Before the Session Had Lasted Two Hours a Decision Was Reached to Send the Message to Congress and the President at Once Set to Work Upon It.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The message which the president sent to the senate this afternoon was the outcome of a prolonged session of the cabinet. Those present, besides the president, were Secretaries Olney, Carlisle and Morton, Attorney General Harmon and Postmaster General Wilson. Secretaries Lamont, Herbert and Smith were out of town. Reports of the serious condition of affairs in Wall street had been coming in for an hour and after the cabinet assembled these were sent by the United Press as fast as received to the treasury officials, who dispatched the information to Secretary Carlisle at the white house.

Before the session had lasted two hours a decision had been reached to send to congress the message transmitted later. At 1:30 it was decided by the assembled officials to take a recess in order to give the president an opportunity to draft the message. Mr. Cleveland set to work in preparing the document and probably had all his ideas in presentable shape when his officers returned an hour later. By this time it had become known that the gold withdrawals amounted to \$3,400,000, bringing down the reserve to \$69,288,000, very nearly to the figure which was reached at the time of the first bond issue in February, 1894. The reserve at that time dropped to \$65,650,000. At the time of the second issue in August, 1894, it stood at \$32,500,000, and when the third issue came in February, 1895, it was \$41,335,000.

It was 4:40 when the cabinet meeting adjourned. Twenty minutes before that time O. L. Pruden, assistant secretary to the president, had started for the capitol with a copy of the message.

Opposed to Haste.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Some of the New England representatives are receiving protests from their constituents against the precipitancy with which the house on Wednesday passed the bill to carry into effect the president's recommendation for the appointment of a commission to determine the boundary between Venezuela and British Guiana. The protests which certain Massachusetts members have received are numerous. The protestants are prominent members of the professional and commercial classes. Similar letters have been received by the Connecticut members, while Mr. Boutelle of Maine, who was the only member to oppose the rush through congress finds his course commended in different parts of the country. There was a disposition to-day on part of some of the New England delegation either to change front on the question or at least to hold it in abeyance for the next fortnight.

At the meeting of East Rock lodge, A. O. U. W., Thursday evening two candidates were initiated. Afterwards light refreshments were served and there were speeches by J. P. R. Rickerts, L. J. Mundell, W. S. Compton, E. S. Wade and others.

A Storer of Bridgeport secured several prizes for his barred Plymouth Rock fowls at the Ansonia poultry show.

Lawyer Jason P. Thompson of Pine street, who has been very ill for several weeks, is still confined to his home, but is slowly improving.

## MAKING READY.

The Pequot and New Year's Day.

The Pequot association is making great preparations for New Year's day. The club will keep open house, with a variety of amusements to entertain the members, old and new. From 3 to 6 there will be a reception with the introduction of new members. A buffet luncheon will be served during these hours. At 6 o'clock the table d'hôte dinner will be served, prepared by Chef O'Tool.

At 7 o'clock a Christmas tree will be the amusement for the next hour. On it will be gifts, comical and otherwise, as suits the fancy of the donor. Each member is requested to donate an extra gift of small value that no one shall be omitted in the distribution. They may be left at J. N. Champion's, 1028 Chapel street; E. S. Osborn's, 35 Church street, or at the club house before Tuesday, December 31, at 9 a. m.

At 8 o'clock Robinson's orchestra will play for dancing, which will continue until 11. The price for the whole entertainment, including dinner, is the small sum of \$1.

Special arrangements have been made with the electric lines for transportation. A half hour schedule will be adopted during the hours from 3 to 10:30 p. m., leaving the green ten minutes before the hour, and every half hour thereafter.

The whole entertainment is complimentary to new members elected since the annual meeting in October. The committees are as follows: Reception—Mrs. S. J. Fox, Mrs. M. R. Durham, Mrs. Leonard Bostwick, Mrs. R. E. Manross, Mrs. E. O. Brown, Mrs. George R. Chamberlain, Messrs. M. R. Durham, W. A. Harris, E. C. Bushnell, E. O. Brown, R. E. Manross, George G. Powning, S. H. Read, J. H. Todd, Dymers, Mrs. George H. Butler, Mrs. S. H. Dawson, Mrs. H. S. Higby, Mrs. T. J. Adams, Mrs. M. W. Burwell. Christmas tree—Mrs. A. H. Jackson, Mrs. C. H. Loomis, Mrs. L. H. Pringle, Mrs. J. O. Shares, Mrs. W. R. Moore. Dancing—Mrs. N. Champion, Mrs. George R. Powning, Mrs. W. R. Demarest, Mrs. F. I. Booth, Mrs. C. B. Mathewman. Entertainment—E. S. Osborn, J. N. Champion, W. P. Tuttle.

## The City Missions.

The Sunday services to-morrow at the City Mission hall, corner of Court and State streets, will be at 9 a. m., 2 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. The Men's Recreational, assisted by the King's Daughters, conduct the jail service at 9:30 a. m. and also the afternoon service in the Calvary Industrial Home at 4 o'clock. At the mission hall in the evening the United church Endeavor society will hold a Christmas service with special musical selections. All welcome. Seats free.

## FOREFATHER'S DAY

Landing of the Pilgrims Commemorated Fittingly by North Haven Citizens Last Evening—An Entertaining Program—North Haven's Fine Celebration at Memorial Hall.

Forefather's day was duly celebrated by the citizens of North Haven last night with a banquet to commemorate the 275th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Mass., in 1620. The banquet was served in Memorial hall. There were arranged about the hall fifteen tables all laden with the best of viands. The last one was decorated in a most artistic manner with smilax and flowers and adorned with candles. After the inner man had been satisfied E. L. Lindsey, in very well chosen remarks, introduced Sheldon B. Thorpe as toastmaster. The speeches began at 9:30. Music was furnished by the Philharmonic orchestra of this city. The program was as follows:

Musical—Orchestra. Overture—"Raymond"..... Thomas Plymouth Rock 1620! Responded to by Charles N. Turner. The Pilgrim Ideal! Responded to by the Rev. Alpha H. Simonds. Musical—Quartet. The Mayflower Compact! Responded to by George S. Vibbert. The Mayflower Baggage! Responded to by the Rev. William Lusk. Musical—Orchestra. Selection—"Rob Roy"..... DeKoven The Puritan Commonwealth! Responded to by the Rev. W. T. Reynolds. The Mayflower Medicine Chest! Responded to by Dr. R. B. Goodyear. John Carver—First Pilgrim Governor. Responded to by Robert O. Eaton. Musical—Orchestra. Medley—"Behold the Scenes"..... Bendix The Mayflower Music! Responded to by Whitney Elliott. The Mayflower Men! Responded to by the Rev. William G. Lathrop. Musical—Quartet. The Mayflower Women! Responded to by Joseph Pierpont. The Pilgrim Dead! To be drank standing in silence. Musical—Orchestra. Prayer "Stradella"..... Flotow Pilgrims of 1895! Responded to by Edward L. Lindsey.